

"WHAT PUBLIC WANTS"
SOLVED FOR BROOKLYN
AT EMPIRE THEATRE.

This week is expected to be the gala week at the Empire Theatre, Brooklyn, as Barney Gerard has sent his Follies of the Day company in their roaring success, "What Does the Public Want?" to that part of the Greater City. When the Follies played at the Empire last season, hundreds were turned away nightly. The demand for seats was so great that if arrangements could have been made the show would have played there another week at least.

The main idea of the show is to find out what the public wants, and they go about it in this way: Impersonators of George M. Cohan, who stands for musical comedy; Hammerstein for grand opera, Balasco for the drama, and Al Reeves for burlesque, all assemble and each proclaims that his style of amusement is what the public wants, and to prove it they decide to produce a show giving each manager a chance to show his goods, letting the public decide.

The audience then views four distinct shows. In a little vaudeville act Gertrude Hays plays the Queen in the book of "Three Weeks," while

Chester Nelson plays an extremely interested reader. Rubes may come and rubes may go, but never will any compare with Chester Nelson, and he proved this last night.

Of the impersonators, Dave Waldron shone best as George M. Cohan. His style, talk and manner of singing resembles George's, and he even plays a violin. George P. Murphy as the hot dog man, was the big hit of the evening, while Gertrude Hays as "Peg o' My Heart" came next. A good chorus of lively girls livened the slow places up by good singing.

"CANARY AND THE CAT"
A SYMBOLICAL DANCE
AT COLONIAL THEATRE.

Adelaide and Hughes, with a series of real classical dances lead the programme this week at the Colonial Theatre. With Adelaide as the canary and J. J. Hughes as the cat one of the symbolical dances of the canary trapped by the cat contains all the humor and the tragedy of such a situation in real life. The dance is unique and interesting.

Dancing seems to be the entire heart of the bill, for next in merit to Adelaide and Hughes is Josie Heather, assisted by Bobbie Heather and William Casey. Miss Heather goes in

CYCLONIC EVA TANGUAY,
WHO APPEARS THIS WEEK
AT THE PALACE THEATRE.

for the modern dancing and, ably assisted by her partners, she does excellent work. Claire Vincent in "The Recoil," a one act comedy, provides a very interesting and entertaining fifteen minutes of action, and the rest of the bill is made up of some excellent sketches and comedy acts.

"THE REDEMPTION CLUB"
AT THE COLUMBIA GIVES
IMPERSONATORS A CHANCE

The Roney Posey girls have for their vehicle this year a two-act burlesque called "The Redemption Club," which they offered last night at the Columbia Theatre. In the piece members of the company impersonate several people known by every playgoer—Anna Held, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Castle, Sam Bernard, Nat M. Wills and Lew Kelly.

One of the features of the show was an exhibition of the dances, from the old and stately minuet to the modern tango and one-step. This is something new to the patrons of burlesque. Although the old dances were pleasing, particularly the minuet, they did not seem as comfortable as in the modern dances. Harry Bentley, Harry S. Le Van, Walter and William R. Pearson, Earl Gates, Clara Evans, Billie Davies, Madeline Whitney, Marnie Mitchell, Marie Gates, Jane Pearson, and the Sherlock Sisters, Flo and Ollie, were the principals of the show, assisted by a large, well-singing chorus.

SPLENDID DANCING
IN "OLD KENTUCKY"
AT THE LEXINGTON.

About the best thing in the programme at the Lexington Theatre last night was the buck and wing dancing by a dozen of eccentric, acrobatic but rhythmic performers who drew loud applause for their efforts. As the Pilemanly band they also did themselves most powerful glorious. The popular play for the week, "In Old Kentucky," to which the dancing and the music were added attractions, was in itself fairly well presented. The "heart" parts were done to a turn and the regular working characters of the over-popular melodrama were as forceful as usual with this house. Miss Louise Murray as Madge Briery, the heroine, drew repeated plaudits for her portraiture of a lovable character.

On Friday night there will be a

VETERAN LOCKWOOD DEAD.

One of the oldest residents of Greenwich Village Expires in Room. John S. Lockwood, one of the oldest residents of Chelsea Village, is dead at the age of seventy years. John Shields, an old friend, proprietor of the Utah Street, No. 289 West Twenty-fifth Street, missed him last night and, finding his way into his room, found that he was dead. Dr. Webb of New York Hospital said he had died of natural causes and old age.

Lockwood was a veteran of the Civil War, having enlisted at the age of sixteen, rose to be a Lieutenant in 1866. He was a member of the Governor's Growers, the Pequot and the Horatio

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